

THE GLEICHEN CALL

VOLUME XXXIV

NO. 47

GLEICHEN, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4, 1942

SUBSCRIPTION \$2.00 PER YEAR

RATEPAYERS HEAR REPORT OF TOWN COUNCIL FOR YEAR

A larger crowd than usual attended the annual meeting of the ratepayers of the town last Friday night. There was still accommodation for more without overcrowding. The meeting was presided over by Ex-mayor N. T. Purcell and the crowd being well seated the business got underway on the stroke of eight.

The medical health officer reported the health of the town was exceptionally good and that while the school was kept closed for the month of September, this was due to a provincial order and was not a local condition. Residents, he said, had responded willingly to the order with all premises cleaned and kept sanitary. It was hoped that this condition would be maintained throughout the coming year.

The Community Hall report was submitted by Mr. P. Deshayes. While the picture show business, which is the main source of revenue from the hall, had dropped off considerably, the hall had about held its own. It had been kept in good repair, the roof had been re-tarred during the summer and was in good shape. The conditions facing the hall for the coming year would probably grow worse as time went on.

T. C. Brown chairman of the Fire Light and Police Committee, reported that the fire hall had been levelled up and painted in front. The equipment had been maintained in good repair. The brigade had not had much practice during the year only one fire being recorded but the brigade responded to this call very efficiently. They were handicapped in their fire fighting operations at this fire due to lack of water pressure and the inadequacy of the chemical equipment to handle a fire of this size, coupled with the fact that the fire had made good headway before the brigade arrived.

An amendment to the agreement between the Calgary Power Co. and the town whereby users of 20 kilowatts or over will reap considerable benefit. A police patrol is being maintained at the discretion of the police committee.

John Michael chairman of the Public Works and Water Works committee was not able to be present at the meeting and the report of this committee was made by P. Deshayes. Very effort had been made by the Public Works Dept. to maintain all streets in good shape during the year. In places where the streets had been washed out by irrigation water and these had been built up and in several places the streets raised where water accumulated. Culverts had been installed in several places to afford proper drainage and to carry off drainage water. One difficulty had been eliminated where drainage water had been running into the sewers. This has now been cleaned out widened and dug deeper.

Sidewalks had been put in good repair and in some places the plank sidewalks which had become badly worn were replaced with cinders. Also a supply of cinders had been accumulated in a pile for use as necessary requires. Leaks in the water mains were down to a minimum only two having made their appearance during the year. Copper pipe had been laid on 15th Avenue where a good deal of trouble had been experienced in the past years. One new service connection was installed which was the number of services up to 44.

The irrigation system was kept in good repair and has been giving good satisfaction. 72 acre feet of water was pumped through the pipe lines during the year from May to August. The drainage from the irrigation system had been connected with the sewer system thereby utilizing the drainage to flush out the sewers and saving town water which had been used in the past.

The financial position of the town was then reported on by chairman, T. C. Brown. The financial statement for this year is partially due to having very favorable position. The mill rate is the lowest it has been since 1929 when it was 27 mills for municipal purposes that year. The town has been able to finance without borrowing for the past few years. This year town paid the final debenture on the irrigation system and the town is now free of debt. While it will be noted from the auditor's financial statement the town shows a deficit

this year this is partially due to having paid the debenture payment which was not included in the estimates and partially due to the cancellation of taxes on properties which had been sold. The town had disposed of various properties during the year which had come to the town under the tax recovery act and these would now be back on the tax roll and be revenue bearing. Unemployment relief was now a matter of little concern, there being only an odd one occasionally.

An inspection was made of the town by the municipal inspector who congratulated the town on its present financial position, which is probably the best since the incorporation of the town in 1910.

All reports having been heard, the mayor, Mr. W. E. Thompson, thanked the members of the council and the employees of the town for their co-operation, and remarked the present council were following up the good work of their predecessors who left the town in good shape in 1940. He expressed his regrets on behalf of the council that one of the members, Mr. J. H. Wright had departed this life during the year.

The chairman, Mr. Purcell remarked that there would be two vacancies on the council and hoped these would be re-elected to office to carry on the good work.

A question was raised as to whether or not with the big cash balance at the credit of the town, taxes would be reduced, but it was explained that this question could not be answered at this time. It would be placed on record for consideration.

The chairman then called for a hearty vote of thanks and approval for the good work of the elected representatives of the town and particularly for the retiring members who had brought the year 1941 to such a successful conclusion. This was heartily given.

VICTORY LOAN CAMPAIGN WILL BEGIN SHORTLY

Winter winds may howl, the mercury may hang the zero line, and Canada may be snow bound when the Victory Loan campaign gets underway, but G. W. Spencey, chairman of the National War Finance Committee will not worry about results of the campaign if all Canadians follow the example of their fellow citizens who reside in the far north, eastern Arctic area.

Details of a separate little Victory Loan drive which was carried out in the ice field up north last July and August have just been released at Ottawa for the benefit of the large crew of bond salesmen who will be approaching the people of Canada from February 16th on. Fur traders, mounted policemen and others engaged in the ice bound Arctic eagerly bought every bond that was taken up north on the Naasopik by Major D. A. McLeod. When this allotment was sold out before the Major reached the farthest point of his trip, others up there who also wanted bonds gave cheques and cash to be taken back to Ottawa for bonds to be sent along to them later.

There were a few in Ottawa, who were very skeptical about Major McLeod's idea when he first broached it. They thought that \$10,000 worth of bonds was too much. Yet the total subscription by those men up in the Arctic was \$11,000.

Interestingly enough, practically all the bonds taken up in the Arctic were sold through Victory Loan posters which were posted on the boat. At each stop, these out-post pioneers took a look at the posters and then asked how they could invest. Some were actually joyful when they were told that there were some bonds on board.

When the Naasopik set out again on its annual tour of the Eastern Arctic next July, there is no doubt that the amount of bonds on board will exceed that of last year.

Those who know the Northerners well feel sure that the boat will not bring back a single bond.

Jack Wade of Denver, Col. and Shirley Husey of Washington were weekend visitors to the home of the former's sister and her husband Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Lawrence. Mr. Wade won the world's championship for bull-dogging at Pendleton, Oregon, rodeo last year.

ARMY ENLISTMENT BY MEN FROM THE DISTRICT

Enlistments in the C.A. (A) from 22nd Field Battery, R.C.A. (B). C.A. recently is as follows:
T. A. Daw, Gleichen, R. C. O. C.
K. N. C. Hansen, Chancellor, C. A. (A)
D. H. Laing, Queenstown, R. C. A. F.
G. O. Nelson, Queenstown, R. C. A. F.
C. E. Johnson, Queenstown, R. C. A. F.

Further enlistments reported to this paper are as follows:
L. Hagg, Majorville, C. A. O. C.
Roy O'Leary, Majorville, R. C. A. F.

There will be a St. Valentine dance in the Meadowbrook hall on Friday, February 13th.

COUNCILLORS AND TRUSTEES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Monday was nomination day for school trustees and town councillors. There will be no election for any of the positions which became vacant through terms expiring, all being elected by acclamation.

On the town council R. W. Brown will be occupying a council seat for the first time. He fills D. MacDonald's seat whose term had expired. Tom Brown whose term had also expired was re-elected. The council will consist of Mayor W. E. Thompson and Councillors Lou Michael, P. Deshayes, B. Brown, R. S. Haskayne, W. Gilbert and R. W. Brown.

Wm. Ferguson, F. N. Warner and R. K. Hunter fill out the slate for school trustees. Messrs. Ferguson and Warner have been on the school board for many years while this will

be Mr. Hunter's first experience in school affairs. The school board consists of Dr. G. H. Fargachson, F. N. Warner, Wm. Ferguson, W. McKay and R. K. Hunter.

The Canadian Women's Army Corp is seeking to interest young women of the district in their organization. In a short time the C. W. A. C. will be needing young women to fill such positions as bookkeepers clerks, canteen stewards, cooks, housekeepers (hospital), librarians, messengers, radio operators, secretary, telephone operators, typist, waitresses, etc. Applicants must be a British subject; be 21 years of age and not yet attained her 31st birthday; medically fit not lower than category B. No application of married women will be considered, who have children dependent on them for care and upbringing. I. e. sons under 16 and daughters under 18. The greatest need at the moment is for clerical staff.

Charlie Parks who has been visiting friends in the town and district for the past several weeks has left for Calgary where he will spend some time attending to his business affairs before proceeding to Edmonton.

Jack Howelson, of Stobart was in town the other day and stated he had received a letter from Fred Jones who is located in Ulechole, B.C. Jack says Fred is quite taken with the B. C. climate and wishes to be remembered to all the boys in Gleichen.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS OF THE TOWN AND DISTRICT

The annual bospital got under way at 8 o'clock Monday morning with 10 rinks entered. Quite a few rinks from the neighboring towns are in attendance. It is expected the bospital will be finished tonight.

Charlie Parks who has been visiting friends in the town and district for the past several weeks has left for Calgary where he will spend some time attending to his business affairs before proceeding to Edmonton.

Jack Howelson, of Stobart was in town the other day and stated he had received a letter from Fred Jones who is located in Ulechole, B.C. Jack says Fred is quite taken with the B. C. climate and wishes to be remembered to all the boys in Gleichen.

The Purchase of Sugar is Now Regulated by Law

As a prudent precaution, the quantity of sugar which may lawfully be consumed in any household is now restricted by law to an amount of three-quarters of one pound per person per week, and it is now unlawful to purchase more than two weeks' supply at any one time or to make any purchase if present supplies are sufficient for more than two weeks.

This step has been taken to conserve the satisfactory reserve stock of sugar in Canada and is an assurance to the consumer that there is no reason for heavy buying of sugar.

Ration coupons will not be used to enforce the sugar limitations in Canada. The supply of sugar in our country has been under control for more than two and a half years and the homekeeper has always been able to satisfy her needs; she will continue to be able to do so and the price ceiling law protects her against any increase in price.

The maintenance of the new regulation governing the purchase of sugar rests, as the success of all laws in a democratic country must rest, upon the loyal support of the people. Any consumption of sugar in excess of the quantity stipulated by this regulation is not only an offence against the law, but is also a betrayal of the war effort and consequently an offence against decency.

Reports received from retailers indicate that in some districts there has been misunderstanding of the requirements of the law. In some cases, people are under the impression that they should at once lay in a sufficient supply for two weeks; this of course is not necessary because a continued supply of sugar is assured. In other cases it has been assumed that a greatly restricted ration is to be made effective in the near future. This is incorrect because The Wartime Prices and Trade Board has already stated that the sugar supply situation is such that requirements of the consumer at the rate of three-quarters of a pound per week can readily be supplied.

As a means of protecting consumers from unknowingly breaking the law, it is suggested to retailers that, for the present, they limit sales to any one customer to an amount of not more than five pounds.

Summary of Sugar Rationing Regulations

1. The ration is $\frac{3}{4}$ pounds per person per week, including adults, children and infants, members of the family, boarders, servants, and guests who remain for four days or more.
2. Purchase your sugar in the ordinary way, but not more than two weeks' supply at a time. No coupons, stamps or tickets are required.
3. Do not purchase any sugar if you have two weeks' or more supply on hand.
4. Persons in remote areas who are not able to buy every week or two weeks may continue to buy more than two weeks' supply at a time, but should measure their consumption at the ration rate, namely $\frac{3}{4}$ pounds per person per week.
5. Lumber camps and other firms providing board for their employees must see that consumption is restricted to $\frac{3}{4}$ pounds per week per person, effective immediately.
6. Economize on sugar in every way you can; some people can get along on less than the ration. Persons dining in hotels, restaurants, etc., are expected to restrict their sugar consumption.
7. Additional supplies of sugar will be made available for home preserving and canning.
8. The restriction applies only to cane and beet sugars of all kinds—granulated sugar, icing sugar, fruit sugar, brown sugar, raw sugar, etc.
9. Industrial users of sugar, hospitals and other institutions, hotels and restaurants, will be advised by the Sugar Administrator how the sugar restrictions will affect them.
10. Retailers are entitled to refuse sale or to limit sales to any person they have reason to believe is attempting to disregard this law.

Vigorous steps will be taken to punish wilful infractions of the law. The penalties provided are imprisonment for as long as two years and a fine up to \$5,000

Issued Under the Authority of THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD, Ottawa, Canada

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

Many different plans are being advocated to secure for our farmers a better wheat price. Some of the proposals recommended that the government should considerably increase the official ceiling price (according to the regulations the official ceiling price would be about \$2 and three cents for 1 Northern in store at William).

The trouble, however, with merely increasing the ceiling price, is that either the price paid by the wheat board or the open market price might rise any higher than these prices at present, and so might a far short of the increased prices, a which event, of course, farmers could receive no benefit whatever from any increase in the ceiling price.

The proposal recently made by the Grain Company, however, of leaving the ceiling price at \$2 and two thirds cents, and then for the government, through its Price Stabilization Corporation, to pay farmers 1.00 a bushel for 1 Northern at the average country point (which is equal to \$1.20 Fort William) has the effect that farmers would actually receive the increased price for their wheat regardless of what the final

ceiling price might be

When considering any definite plan, therefore, farmers should make certain that the proposal actually will assure additional money for their wheat.

SIGNS OF FLU

If your bones all
Ache like sin,
Can't tell where
The pains begin;
If yer weepy
In yer eyes,
Don't ker of yer
Lives or dies;
If yer head as
Billin' hot,
Feel et bustin'
Like et not;
If yer feet or
Clammy cold
Ef yer feels
A centery old;
Ef yer can't dig
Up a think,
'Cause yer noodle's
On der blink;
If yer staggerers
When yer walks,
An' yer stutters
When yer talks;
Don't go guessin',
Take my cue;
Get a doctor—
Got th' flu!

ITEMS OF INTEREST OF THE TOWN AND DISTRICT

The fellow who said everything that goes up must come down must have had no experience with taxes.

Don't forget that next Monday everybody will get up an hour earlier and be able to get a little more work done by daylight. On Monday daylight saving time comes into effect.

Miss R. Adams, of the Bank of Commerce staff at Hardisty, spent the weekend in town, the guest of Miss A. Evans. Miss Adams left Monday for Melod where she has been transferred by the bank.

Harry Harrison, R.C.A.F., now located in Vancouver, was home on furlough last week. Harry says he ran across Freddy Jones in Vancouver. He also stated that he had recently received a cable from his brother Frank announcing his safe arrival in the Old Country.

That the average American is intensely interested in the war may be gauged by the following paragraph taken from a letter received by J. B. Scholier from his nephew, E. C. Hop-

cock, Uniontown, Alabama: "Well, it begins to look like we are playing for keeps in this war. It just burns me up to see those damned Japs slapping our boys around. When waiget going, if I were running things, we would take no prisoners. Gosh I just built to think of it. Churchill sure is the man to the to. I like him very much and would rather hear him talk than any of our current leaders. I have done my share in causing Roosevelt for this and that but I have to admit he has just about called the turn every time. Well, it's a big job ahead for all of us, but we will win, and so are with you and Briton all the way. I am sorry we did not enter sooner, but that is all behind us now, so why worry."

Restriction by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board on the sale of new rubber tires has created a demand for re-treads. The new tires are needed to roll Canada's machines of war to victory. Dealers must not charge more for used tires or tubes than during the basic period between Sept. 15 and Oct. 11 last, and must satisfy themselves that the customer

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Sunday February 8th.
Evening 7:30 p.m.
Rev. L. T. Pearson B.A., (Incumbent)

has a real need for the tire or tube for the essential operation of his car. A used tire is defined as one that has been used for more than 300 miles.

People everywhere are interested in the salvage campaign. Up to the present it has been difficult to get any clear direction as to the gathering of material that will really help. After many conferences with the railway officials, a very reasonable freight rate has been given for car loads of 30,000 lbs or more. Sixteen divisional sectional points have been chosen and there are a number of licensed dealers in each place who will give a standard price for bones, fat and grease in packages, waste paper, magazines in bales or bundles, rags in bags, old rope, glass, bottles, rubber, including old tires and tubes, metal, scrap iron, steel, aluminum, brass, copper, zinc, shoes, etc.

A shipping certificate can be obtained from the Department of National War Services and the local freight agent can furnish all particulars. The glass works, at Redcliff, will pay \$6 per ton for broken glass.

Under the new sugar regulations of the Wartime Prices Trade Board housewives are placed on their honor as Canadian patriots not to buy more than three-quarters of a pound of

sugar per week for each member of the household. Cafe, hotel and restaurant proprietors must remove all sugar bowls from the counters and tables and serve sugar only in reasonable quantities when asked for by customers. Provision is made to permit housewives to buy the larger quantities of sugar if making marmalade and preserves.

FROM THE FILES OF GLEICHEN CALL TWENTY YEARS AGO

The people of the Queenstown district have decided to work in cooperation with the Calgary Board of Trade and ask that body to use its influence to have the railroad built through that district.

A new school is being constructed east of Milo one mile north and a mile and a half east of Chris Heving's place.

Phil Brown has returned from Chicago where he sold a carload of cattle. Phil says Chicago is pretty dry, still if one has the price and a sawdust it is easy enough to get a drink.

Queenstown now has two barber shops and a new pool hall.

The citizens of the town have called upon the town council to finish the town hall. At a meeting held Mayor Hyndman said it was estimated that cost of completing the hall would be between \$1,500 and \$1,500. Geo. Matthews stated that a number of societies were anxious to have the hall finished so that they could hold meetings. There was a boys club of over thirty members that had attended the Board of Trade banquet and asked the board to use its influence to have the hall finished.

The Board of Trade officers for 1922: Geo. Matthews, Geo. H. Gooderham, L. Subbert, D. Hutchison, C. Eyndman, E. Taylor, P. Maclean, R. Matheson, W. Brown, W. Walsh, T. H. Beach, R. Staback, Corp. Harper, J. McCorkle, R. W. Brown, F. McKay, W. Evans, V. Gamble, D. Burness and L. R. McEntee.

Strathmore hockey team was defeated here last night. In a free for all Allen Quennell received a cut over the eye that needed two stitches to close. In another fight a Strathmore player had both eyes beautifully decorated. In the second period Frank Bates Gleichen goalie stopped the puck with his eye which needed two stitches to close. (Then was the day.)

Mrs. Wing has gone to Edmonton for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bartsch are visiting friends in Oregon.

M. Murray is still happy over the arrival of a boy at his home on Dec. 30th last.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kelly announce the arrival of a daughter on Friday January 15.

Mrs. Roy M. Allen of Queenstown spent last week in town visiting Mrs. Menard and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Desjardine are happy over the arrival of a son at their home.

Little Miss Vivian Brown was operated on Monday night for appendicitis at the hospital in Calgary having been taken there that evening.

The local branch of the G.W.V.A. have elected the following officers for 1922: D. Burness, J. Egles, R. Staback, A. Lewis, O. Skeene, G. Moss, T. Bates and J. Bates.

SPECIAL BARGAIN
Rail FARES
TO
REGINA
\$15.75
WINNIPEG
\$23.45
AND RETURN
From GLEICHEN

Going—
FEBRUARY 12-13-14
RETURN UNTIL
FEBRUARY 17

Corresponding Low Fares from Intermediate Stations. Good in Cashies only. No baggage checked.

FOR SHOPPING, TRAVEL, ENTERTAINMENT—GO BY TRAIN

Ask Ticket Agent

Canadian Pacific
NORTH WESTERN TRAVEL SYSTEM

what is a VICTORY BOND?



A VICTORY BOND is the promise of the Dominion of Canada to repay in cash the full face value of the Bond at the time stipulated, with half-yearly interest at the rate of 3% per annum until maturity.

A Victory Bond is the safest investment in Canada. The entire resources of the Dominion stand behind it.

A Victory Bond is an asset more readily converted into cash than any other security.

National War Finance Committee, Ottawa, Canada

GET READY TO BUY

VICTORY BONDS

The New

A40